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1025 Vermont Ave. N.W.

October 2, 1951

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Chief, Contract Branch Central Intelligence Agency Washington 25, D.C.

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Re:

- PO/PCD-1037

Dear Sir:

25X1A5a1 The above matter has been referred to this office by We have investigated the manner in which this crating was done and find that it was in accordance with your requirements.

It is suggested that the claim be filed against the carrier.

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R. R. Runkles

STATEMENT REGARDING DAMAGE TO THE HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS OF 25X1A9a

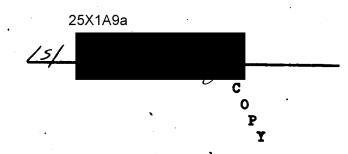
My household effects were received in a battered and shattered condition. The heavy damage resulted from negligent and careless packing which is nearly indescribable. Fragile items were thrown loosely into boxes with no packing whatsoever. In one such box a Toastmaster toaster was smashed and a loum movie projector was broken into several pieces. In another box two children's tricycles were thrown in on top of two new mahogany lamp tables. As a result the tables were removed from the box in splinters.

There was absolutely no attempt made to prevent furniture from being jarred to pieces, gouged, and splintered. A mahogany desk was taken from an undamaged crate in some thirty-five pieces. A radio-phonograph console was cracked in the center and shattered on the corners. A dining room table had all four legs broken off. Book-cases were gouged and broken apart. A mahogany hed looked as though it had been hacked with an axe. Chests of drawers were packed in a manner which permitted the drawers to move back and forth, resulting in the fronts of the drawers being knocked off. A relatively heavy typewriter was placed on the shelf of a large bookcase with lattice work sides, and as a result the typewriter slid back and forth shattering the sides of the bookcase and ruining the case of the typewriter.

Overstuffed furniture arrived will all the legs broken. A new Philco refrigerator had been removed from the factory crate and packed in an unstable box which permitted the front and sides to the refrigerator to be curshed. Phonograph records were stacked in a box witout protective packing; dozens of them were broken.

Item, which ordinarily are not considered fragile, were ruined by nails being driven into the contents. Thus several encyclopedias had nails driven through them and a mattress was ripped.

Most of the damage can never be repaired. Item which have been repaired have nothing near their former appearance or value, while indirect expense resulting from the damage have not been taken into consideration.



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LIST OF BROKEN ITEMS IN SHIPMENT OF BOUSEHOLD EFFECTS OF 25X1A9a

Item	Value
Mahogany desk (shattered)	\$129.00
Mahogany radio-phonograph console (split on all sides,	
radio smashed)	329.00
Two mahognay step-up lamp tables (broken to bits) \$60.00	120.00
Mahogany whatnot cabinet (sides smashed out)	75.00
Three overstuffed chairs (legs broken) repairs and loss	
on all three	40.00
New set of Encyclopedia Britannica (nails driven through	(a aa '
four books)	60.00
Lawn lounge mattress (cover ripped by nails) new cover	10.00
Large round mirror (broken)	30.00
Fleer lamp (smashed to pieces)	35 .0 0
Mahogany bed (gouged and splintered)	82.00
Mahogany chest-of-drawers (splintered and nails driven	159.00
into wood)	4.00
Electric Fan (bent and broken) repairs Sixteen mm movice projector (broken) repairs	18.00
Two mahogany side chairs (gouged and split) \$29.00	58.00
Two mahogany side chairs (gouged and split) \$29.00 Two mahogany side chairs (gouged and joints split)	70.00
repairs \$4.00	8.00
Portable typewriter case (smashed)	10.00
Mahogany cradle (splintered)	50.00
Host and hostees chairs (legs broken) repairs \$10.00	20.00
Mahogany dining-room table (split and broken to pieces)	60.00
Sectional bookcases (gouged and split)	40.00
Mahogany buffet (gouged and drawers split)	50.00
Toastmaster toaster(smashed)	12.00
Chest-of-drawers and vanity (gouged and drawers split) re	pairs 35.00
Metal ironing board (legs broken) repairs	2.00
Philco refrigerater (smashed)	260 .0 0
Phonograph records (brokenput in box without packing)	40.00
Spring-Air mattress (cover ripped by nails)	69.50
Electric broiler (broken and bent) repairs	5.00
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